



California Department of Fish and Game Elk Management Program 2004 Hunt Information

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SISKIYOU ROOSEVELT ELK HUNT

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR HUNT ZONE

This information has been prepared to assist elk hunters applying for, or planning to hunt in, the Siskiyou Hunt Zone located in Siskiyou County. The following information should be useful to general season hunters within this geographic area. For more specific information or additional questions regarding this area, contact the Northern California and North Coast Region Office at, 601 Locust Street, Redding, CA. 96001 (Phone: 530-225-2300).

REGULATIONS

Regulations are designed to conserve wildlife and to provide for an equitable distribution of game mammals. The hunter, who knows the laws and regulations, will enjoy the hunting experience more. All hunters should read and be familiar with the current hunting regulations available online at: http://www.dfg.ca.gov/fq_comm/2004/mammalregs04.html.

To hunt elk in this zone, hunters must possess a Siskiyou elk tag. This tag is valid during the general season, and hunters are required to use an appropriate method of take, specified in Title 14, Section 353. Season dates vary annually; thus, be sure to check the current regulations for the specific dates. Note: deer and elk seasons partially overlap.

To receive a tag for this hunt, hunters must plan ahead and are encouraged to submit elk tag applications by the first business day after June 1. For information regarding elk tag application procedures and obtaining an elk tag for this area, see the Big Game Hunting Booklet, available online at: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/biggame/biggamebook.html>.

Successful hunters are reminded to immediately fill out both portions of the tag and permanently mark the date of kill, where they killed the animal, attach the tag to the antlers (or ears, if Antlerless), have the tag validated and countersigned, and **return the completed report card portion and elk teeth to the department within one week after the close of the season. All hunters are required to return their report card portion, whether the hunt was successful or not.** Hunters are asked **not** to submit their elk's teeth in any type of plastic wrapping; instead, send it in the envelope provided.

LAND OWNERSHIP/ PUBLIC LAND OPPORTUNITIES

The Siskiyou Hunt Zone contains a mixture of both public and private lands. Elk are not evenly distributed within the hunt zone. There is limited opportunity for elk on public land. Significant numbers of elk are on private land, with restricted access. Hunters must obtain and have in their possession, written permission to hunt on private property. Hunter trespass laws are strictly enforced. Public lands within the zone are administered by the California Department of Fish & Game (DFG), U.S. Forest Service (USFS), and Bureau of Land Management (BLM). For information regarding these lands, contact the following:

DFG Offices:

Northern California and North Coast Region Office at, 601 Locust Street, Redding, CA. 96001
(Phone: 530-225-2300; Fax: 530-225-2381).

USFS Offices:

Headquarters: Klamath National Forest, 1312 Fairland Road, Yreka, CA. 96097-9549
(Phone: 530-842-6131)

District Offices: Goosenest Ranger District, (Phone: 530-398-4391)

BLM Offices:

Redding Field Office, 355 Hernsted Drive, Redding, CA. 96002 (Phone: 530-224-2100).

Throughout California, additional elk hunting opportunities may exist on private property licensed through the Department's Private Lands Management Program (PLM). For more information on the PLM, the primary species managed on each PLM, and to obtain a list of participating ranches, go to following link: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/plm.html>.

MAPS

For general maps detailing individual zones or additional elk hunt boundaries, go to the following link: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/elk/maps/siskiyou.pdf>

USFS maps are available at all USFS offices or you can contact the USFS Pacific Southwest Regional Office at, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA. 94592 (Phone: 707-562-8737).

BLM surface management maps may also be useful. Hunters can purchase these maps at BLM district offices or contact the BLM at 2800 Cottage Way, Room E2841, Sacramento, CA. 95825 (Phone: 916-978-4400).

U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps are very helpful, especially for topographic features that are not displayed on USFS or BLM Maps. USGS maps may be available from sporting goods, backpacking, or engineering stores, or hunter can contact the USGS directly at: U.S. Geological Distribution Center, Denver Federal Center, Box 25286, Denver, CO. 80225 (Phone: 888-ASK-USGS, 888-275-8747).

ACCESS/MAJOR ROADS

Primary roadways within the Siskiyou hunt boundaries include Interstate 5, Highway 89 and 97, and County Road A12. Many other County, USFS, and BLM roads may branch off of these primary roadways providing access to public lands.

HARVEST INFORMATION

Historical information on elk harvest for this area is available in the table(s) at <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/elk/siskiyouhunt.htm>. This statistical information may be useful for the purposes of planning and/or applying for elk tags in this zone. Each table contains the specific year, number of applications received, number of tags issued, number of elk harvested, and the percentage of hunter success for each year.